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KINGDOM PRIORITY #4 - FREEDOM

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Introduction: What is the purpose of freedom?

Big Idea: Jesus has come to bring the

_____ of his kingdom. Therefore...

1. ... R_____ in him.

Jesus has come to bring the distinct freedom of his kingdom.

Therefore...

1. ...Rejoice in him.

2. ...be R_____ in him.

3. ...R_____ in him.

4. ... act R_____ in him.



Personal Reflection and Application:

1. What spiritual blessings are freely given to me through Jesus?
How can I freely rejoice and celebrate over them this week?

2. Are there any parts of my old ways of thinking that are keeping me from experiencing the freedom of being renewed in Jesus Christ?

3. How does Jesus bring rest to my soul? Where do I need to apply his rest in my life right now?

4. How can I use the freedom that I have in Jesus Christ to act righteously (do good) toward others? How I can I seek to love my neighbor in freedom and so fulfill the law of Christ?

Gospel Community Discussion Questions:

- 1) What would our society tell us is the “purpose” of freedom? How is this similar or different than the purpose Jesus would have for our freedom?

- 2) Read Luke 5:33-35. What are some of the reasons we have to rejoice now that Jesus has come to give us freedom (see Eph 1:3-14 for ideas if you come up short)?

- 3) Why does Jesus’ presence make mournful fasting unnecessary in this age? Why might some fasting still be appropriate in this age? How would it look different than the fast of the disciples of John or the Pharisees?

- 4) Read Luke 5:36-39. How does old thinking prevent us from experiencing the freedom of Christ’s renewal in our lives?

- 5) Read Luke 6:1-5 and Matthew 11:28-30. In what ways does Jesus bring us rest? How can we apply his rest in everyday life?

- 6) Read Luke 6:6-11 and Galatians 5:13-15. How can we use our freedom for “doing good” or “acting righteously” toward others through Jesus?

Breakout Time

Split your group into men and women to pray for one another and hold one another accountable. Catch up on ongoing prayer/accountability requests, and cry out to God for one another and for those to whom you are taking the gospel.

